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Sir:

Applicants request a three-month extension of time from December 21, 2004 to March 21, 2005 and authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee therefor to our deposit account in accordance with the attached Fee Transmittal sheet.

In response to the Office Action mailed December 16, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.